## **Environmental Support**

The Corps of Engineers Europe District is committed to providing full-service engineering support to the U.S. military and other federal agencies throughout the European Command area of responsibility. Whether you need master planing, facility repairs, engineering maintenance, building renovations, design and construction, or environmental services, we have experts, tools and contracts to support you. Here's a look at some of the environmental services we provide.

## **Environmental Status Reports**

Europe District prepares Environmental Status Reports (ESRs) to inventory conditions at all closing installations. They are centrally funded by Headquarters U.S. Army, Europe and required by Operations Plan "Brilliant Exit".

How does it work? Our environmental staff reviews all environmental records and technical documents in the Base Support Battalion. We also interview the BSB staff and we prepare the ESR, including installation maps.

When the program first started, ESRs were performed by architect/engineer contracts managed by Europe District. Now, our staff does the work. That means ASG/BSB manpower is not required except for interviews when we review technical documents and environmental files.

Headquarters U.S. Army, Europe is funding the entire program for USAREUR at a cost of approximately \$5,000 (per ESR per closing installation).

## **Environmental Compliance Assessment**

Europe District helps military communities develop their DoD mandated Environmental Compliance Assessments (ECAS) to track progress in meeting environmental laws and standards. We work with the Final Governing Standards for each country overseas. These standards combine host-nation regulations with the United States' Environmental Baseline Guidance Document — an amalgam of U.S. laws and DoD regulations.

Typically, the military headquarters with the ultimate facility responsibility requests the ECAS and programs for funds. A team of experts in various aspects of compliance (hazardous waste, water quality, natural resources, etc.) inspect a facility and identify deficiencies.



Deficiencies are summarized and corrective actions are developed. The ECAS also identifies what resources are needed to implement corrective action and helps managers track progress and analyze compliance trends.

Our staff is trained in the ECAS process and the management of architect/engineer (A/E) contracts set up specifically for ECAS related work. Our in-house staff can also help with internal facility assessments in some compliance areas. Customers need to work with their headquarters to schedule an ECAS.

The cost depends on the size of the facility and extent of the assessment. Typically, contract costs range between \$100,000 and \$200,000 plus fees for our management services.

## **Environmental Services Contracts**

In order to more quickly respond to customer needs and reduce execution costs, a wide variety of contracts are available to assist in executing the military's environmental mission. By pre-placing contractors to perform work under these contracts it is possible to receive almost immediate turn around on a request for assistance, thus significantly reducing time from conception to award.

Information on the type of service, area of use, capacity per year, and per task order are available by contacting Europe District.

These contracts are limited to specific areas; however, they could be put in place wherever there is a desire and a need for the service. We customize our services based on your needs. The costs vary depending on the scope of the project.